MINUTES OF THE SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE ROOM 415, STATE CAPITOL FEBRUARY 9, 2012

Members Present: Sen. Aaron Osmond, Chair

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard Sen. Karen W. Morgan Sen. Wayne L. Niederhauser Sen. Howard A. Stephenson

Sen. Jerry Stevenson Sen. Daniel Thatcher

Staff Present: Ms. Allison Nicholson, Policy Analyst

Ms. Wendy Hill, Secretary

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Osmond called the meeting to order at 2:20 pm.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to approve the minutes of the Feb 2, 2012 and Feb 6, 2012

meetings. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hillyard, Sen. Niederhauser,

Sen. Stephenson, and Sen. Stevenson absent for the vote.

S.B. 44 GI Bill Tuition Gap Coverage (L. Robles)

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to replace S.B. 44 with 1st Sub. S.B. 44. The motion

passed unanimously with Sen. Hillyard, Sen. Niederhauser, Sen. Stephenson, and

Sen. Stevenson absent for the vote

1st Sub. S.B. GI Bill Tuition Gap Coverage (L. Robles)

Sen. Robles introduced and explained the substitute bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Dimitri Moumoulidis, Citizen

Mr. Dave Buhler, Associate Commissioner, Utah System of

Higher Education

Mr. Bart Whatcott, County Commissioner, Millard County

Mr. Shawn O'Shea, Student

Spoke against the bill: Mr. Peter Cannon, Retiree, U.S. Army

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MOTION: Sen. Morgan moved to pass the substitute bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Stevenson absent for the vote.

H.B. 62 Provisions Regarding School Supplies (K. Powell)

Rep. Powell introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 1, Lines 19 through 19a House Floor Amendments 2-7-2012:

19 as necessary.] the supplies may be brought from home on a voluntary basis; otherwise, they will

19a <u>be furnished by the school</u> { free of charge } . ←Ĥ

2. Page 2, Lines 49a through 49d House Floor Amendments 2-7-2012:

49a "NOTICE: THE ITEMS ON THIS LIST WILL BE USED DURING THE

49b REGULAR SCHOOL DAY. THEY MAY BE BROUGHT FROM HOME ON A

49c VOLUNTARY BASIS; OTHERWISE, THEY WILL BE FURNISHED BY THE SCHOOL

49d {**FREE OF CHARGE**} ." **←**Ĥ

The motion passed unanimously.

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Jackie de Gaston, Citizen

Ms. JoDee Sundberg, President, Utah School Boards Association

Ms. Lisa Kirchenheiter, Park City School Board and Utah School Boards

Association

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Morgan absent for the vote.

Review of the Electronic High School

Ms. Brenda Hales, Associate Superintendent, Utah State Office of Education, gave an overview of the Electronic High School (EHS), including its course offerings, demographics, utilization, enrollment, completion rates, and potential impacts to the EHS with the implementation of the new Statewide Online Education Program.

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Spoke:	Ms. Laura Belnap, Citizen Dr. Richard M. Siddoway, Former Principal, Electronic High School Ms. Jackie de Gaston, Citizen Ms. Teresa Hislop, Mother
Chair Osm	ond adjourned the meeting at 4:03 pm.
Minutes w	ere reported by Wendy Hill, Secretary.

Sen. Aaron Osmond